GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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U.S. APPROACH TOWARDS TERRORISM
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has appealed to the United States against adopting a selected approach in fighting terrorism; and

(b) if so, the response of the U.S. in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) India has consistently conveyed to the international community that terrorism is a global problem that required a comprehensive international response against terrorism wherever it exists.

(b) On 05 October 2001, the White House Spokesman said at a Press Briefing that President Bush had condemned the terrorist attack in Srinagar on 01 October and that the President had also said that `terrorism must end everywhere, and that includes in Kashmir`. During Prime Minister`s meeting with U.S. President George Bush on 09 November 2001 in Washington D.C., the two leaders noted that both countries are targets of terrorism and affirmed the need for a global war against terrorism and its sponsors everywhere in the world.